

Mayor Scott Avedisian has issued the following flood related updates:

### **Warwick Animal Shelter**

Staff has been relocated to temporary space at 50 Service Avenue, off Jefferson Boulevard. To reach them, call 468-4377. Renewal/issuance of dog licenses is still suspended until further notice. For animal control issues, please contact 468-4378.

### **Yard Waste Collection**

Yard waste collection resumed today on its regular schedule. Residents can also bring yard waste to the compost facility on Sandy Lane during regular business hours or on Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### **Sewer Authority**

In order to clarify residents' questions and concerns about water usage, the Warwick Sewer Authority is advising residents that, while it is still at the primary treatment stage for waste, staff is working aggressively to reinstate secondary treatment. Property owners were recently advised that they can resume normal activities such as laundry and dishwashing. For additional information, residents and business owners can contact WSA staff at 739-4949.

### **Building Department**

Approximately 2,500 properties in Warwick have had their electricity and/or gas cut off due to flooding from the Pawtuxet River. Building officials caution people that they should not restore electrical power or gas service to their homes until they have contacted the Building Department and had a licensed electrician or plumbing/mechanical contractor inspect the property to make sure it is safe.

### **Parks and Recreation**

Belmont Park in the northern part of the city and Fr. Terrocchi Field, in the East Natick neighborhood, will be closed indefinitely.

### **Human Services**

Individuals or families in need of clothing or other items should call the Department of Human Services staff for assistance. Patti St. Amant can be reached at 468-4108. Roberta Steinle can be reached at 468-4101. Businesses or individuals who wish to donate items, goods or

services to flood victims should call St. Amant or Steinle as well.

RESIDENTS ARE ALSO ADVISED OF THE FOLLOWING:

- **DEM: REDUCE WATER/SEWER USE IN FLOODED AREAS; ALL CONNECTIONS OF BASEMENT SUMP PUMPS TO SANITARY SEWER SYSTEMS ARE ILLEGAL.** [CLI](#)  
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- The Central Rhode Island Chamber and the Rhode Island Chambers of Commerce are working in conjunction with the RI Emergency Management Agency to assist the individuals and businesses impacted by the recent flooding in Warwick, Coventry, West Warwick, Cranston, or Exeter. [CLICK HERE](#) for details

- [Click here](#) for local EMA contact information.